



Micawber, 1942

WPYc-159

ex-Ottillie; ex-Nevada

A former name retained.

Builder: Henry B. Nevins, Inc., City Island, New York

Length: 110'

Beam: 20' 6"

Draft: 6' 6"

Displacement: 153 gross tons

Cost: \$27,000 (acquisition); \$11,605 (conversion)

Commissioned: 1926 (private); 8 July 1942 (USCG)

Decommissioned: 5 July 1945

Disposition: Returned to the War Shipping Administration

Machinery: 2 Standard diesel engines

Performance & Endurance:

Max: 10.0 knots

Cruising: 6.0 knots; 1,175 mile range

Complement: ?

Armament: ?

Electronics: ?

History:

The Micawber was a wood-hulled yacht designed by Tams & King that was built in 1926. She was acquired by the Coast Guard as an emergency acquisition in 1942 for use as a patrol craft. She was commissioned on 8 July 1942 and saw service into 1943 in the GULFSEAFRON while being based out of San Juan, Puerto Rico. She was then transferred to the 7th Naval District and was stationed at Key West, Florida.

She was decommissioned on 5 July 1945 and returned to the War Shipping Administration on 18 February 1946.

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